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1. In the last half of March 1953 VEB Lebensmittelfabrik, Schoenebeck/Lba., dismissed about 150 employees because of a lack of work caused by material shortages.
2. It is alleged that Bus-Maschinenbau, Magdeburg, laid off about 240 employees during March 1953 because of a shortage both of finances and raw materials.
3. As a result of the failure of the Lauchhammer works to produce the necessary materials, it is no longer possible for Leuna-Merke, Herschburg, to supply the whole East German soap industry with Persolat and Emulgator E 30; Leuna is the only East German plant which produces these items. For this reason the Leuna-werk, Chemnitz, and the Persilwerk, Benthin, have each had to lay off about 500 employees.

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